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**By ECF and email**

The Hon. William F. Kuntz  
United States District Court Judge  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

***Re: United States v. Ali Saleh,  
15 Cr. 517 (S-1) (WFK)  
18 Cr. 468 (WFK)***

Dear Judge Kuntz:

Defendant Ali Saleh is presently scheduled to be sentenced on December 7, 2020, at 12:00 p.m., in relation to both of his above-referenced Indictments. After consultation with the Government, the defense writes to respectfully request an adjournment of Mr. Saleh's sentencing hearing in both cases due to the negative impact the COVID-19 public health crisis has had on our ability to complete a mitigation investigation in advance of sentencing. The parties have conferred and the defense proposes, with the Government's consent, that Mr. Saleh's sentencing hearing be adjourned to a date in March 2021, or a date thereafter that is convenient to the Court.

I have spoken to AUSA Saritha Komatireddy and she has informed me that the Government consents to the instant application.

Accordingly, Defendant Ali Saleh, by and through counsel, respectfully requests an adjournment of his December 7, 2020 sentencing hearing to a date in **March 2021**, or a date thereafter that is convenient to the Court.

As always, we thank Your Honor for his time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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